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Assistant Administrator Water and Environmental Programs Rural Utilities Service 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W. STOP 1548, Room 5145 South Washington, DC 20250-1548

Re: Solid Waste Management Grant - Solid Waste Training Institute

Dear Assistant Administrator,

Please accept this letter as an indication of our support for work being offered by the Solid Waste Training Institute in the Gustavus area. Solid Waste Training Institute has informed Gustavus Disposal & Recycling Center of a potential pilot study conducted in Gustavus involving the sourcing of non-recyclable waste from the working face of the disposal cell in order to process the recovered materials into construction-related products. In addition to the pilot study, Solid Waste Training Institute would also offer excellent hands-on training for our personnel. Once the pilot study is complete, project reports (business and feasibility plans) would be provided to the City of Gustavus detailing completed tasks and documenting any findings. The City of Gustavus understands there would be no cost or obligations to itself during or after the work is completed. The City of Gustavus is therefore supportive of these activities and would appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mike Taylor, Mayor